

United States District Court  
Central District of California

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA vs.

Defendant ARMAN SHAROPETROSIAN  
akas: Arman Petosian, "Horse" "Dzi"

Docket No. SACR 09-0248(B)-DOC

Social Security No. 9 6 1 3  
(Last 4 digits)

JUDGMENT AND PROBATION/COMMITMENT ORDER

In the presence of the attorney for the government, the defendant appeared in person on this date.

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
11	28	2012

**COUNSEL**

**Anthony Brooklier, Retained**

(Name of Counsel)

**PLEA**

GUILTY, and the court being satisfied that there is a factual basis for the plea.  NOLO  CONTENDERE  NOT GUILTY

**FINDING**

There being a finding/verdict of GUILTY, defendant has been convicted as charged of the offense(s) of:

**18 U.S.C. §1349: Conspiracy to Commit Bank Fraud as charged in Count 1; 18 U.S.C. §§1344, 2: Bank Fraud; Aiding and Abetting and Causing an Act to be Done as charged in Counts 24, 25, 30 and 31; and 18 U.S.C. §§1028A(a)(1), 2: Aggravated Identity Theft; Aiding and Abetting and Causing an Act to be Done as charged in Counts 51, 52, 54, 59, 66, 67 and 70. Convicted Counts 1, 24, 25, 30, 31, 51, 52, 54, 59, 66, 67 and 70 are as to the Second Superseding Indictment.**

**JUDGMENT  
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ORDER**

The Court asked whether there was any reason why judgment should not be pronounced. Because no sufficient cause to the contrary was shown, or appeared to the Court, the Court adjudged the defendant guilty as charged and convicted and ordered that:

It is ordered that the defendant shall pay to the United States a special assessment of \$1,200.00, which is due immediately. Any unpaid balance shall be due during the period of imprisonment, at the rate of not less than \$25 per quarter, and pursuant to the Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program.

It is ordered that the defendant shall pay restitution to victim(s) in the total amount of \$1,565,576.33 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3663A.

Defendant shall pay restitution to victim(s) as set forth in a separate victim list prepared by the probation office which this Court adopts and which reflects the Court's determination of the amount of restitution due to each victim(s). The victim list, which shall be forwarded by the probation office to the fiscal section of the clerk's office shall remain confidential to protect the privacy interests of the victim(s).

Restitution shall be due during the period of imprisonment, at the rate of not less than \$25 per quarter, and pursuant to the Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program. If any amount of the restitution remains unpaid after release from custody, nominal monthly payments of at least 10% of defendant's gross monthly income, but not less than \$50.00, whichever is greater, shall be made during the period of supervised release and shall begin 30 days after the commencement of supervision. Nominal restitution payments are ordered as the court finds that the defendant's economic circumstances do not allow for either immediate or future payment of the amount ordered.

The defendant shall be held jointly and severally liable with codefendants Angus Brown, Lewellyn Charles Cox IV, Karen Markosian, Kristine Ogandzhanyan, Vergine Gasparian, Artush Margaryan, Hovhannes Dilboyan, Ronald Smith, Kevin Young, Anthony Hawkins, Hyworth Rutanhira, Derrick Chatton, Damian Wadsack, Oganes Tangabakyan, Kelly Benson, Alphonso Strong, Nikkia Brooks, Robert Haskell, and Tritia Black; convicted coconspirators Steven Lawrence and Brandon Washington (Docket No. SACR09-00247-CJC); and convicted coconspirator Nicholas Adam Watson (Docket No. SACR10-00150-CJC) for

the amount of restitution ordered in this judgment. The victim's recovery is limited to the amount of their loss and the defendant's liability for restitution ceases if and when the victim receives full restitution.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f)(3)(A), interest on the restitution ordered is waived because the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest. Payments may be subject to penalties for default and delinquency pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).

The defendant shall comply with General Order No. 01-05.

All fines are waived as it is found that the defendant does not have the ability to pay a fine in addition to restitution.

Pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984, it is the judgment of the Court that the defendant, Arman Sharopetrosian , is hereby committed on Counts 1, 24, 25, 30, 31, 51, 52, 54, 59, 66, 67 and 70 of the Second Superseding Indictment to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons for a term of 300 months. This term consists of 276 months on each of Counts 1, 24, 25, 30, and 31, to be served concurrently, and 24 months on each of Counts 51, 52, 54, 59, 66, 67 and 70, to be served concurrently with each other but consecutively to the terms imposed on Counts 1, 24, 25, 30 and 31.

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be placed on supervised release for a term of five (5) years. This term consists of five (5) years on each of Counts 1, 24, 25, 30 and 31 and one (1) year on each of Counts 51, 52, 54, 59, 66, 67 and 70, all such terms to run concurrently under the following terms and conditions:

1. The defendant shall comply with the rules and regulations of the U. S. Probation Office, General Order 05-02, and General Order 01-05, including the three special conditions delineated in General Order 01-05;
2. The defendant shall not commit any violation of local, state or federal law or ordinance;
3. The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of a DNA sample from the defendant;
4. During the period of community supervision the defendant shall pay the special assessment and restitution in accordance with this judgment's orders pertaining to such payment;
5. The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days of release from imprisonment and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, not to exceed eight tests per month, as directed by the Probation Officer;
6. The defendant shall participate in an outpatient substance abuse treatment and counseling program that includes urinalysis, breath, and/or sweat patch testing, as directed by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall abstain from using illicit drugs and alcohol, and abusing prescription medications during the period of supervision;
7. During the course of supervision, the Probation Officer, with the agreement of the defendant and defense counsel, may place the defendant in a residential drug treatment program approved by the United States Probation Office for treatment of narcotic addiction or drug dependency, which may include counseling and testing, to determine if the defendant has reverted to the use of drugs, and the defendant shall reside in the treatment program until discharged by the Program Director and Probation Officer;
8. As directed by the Probation Officer, the defendant shall pay all or part of the costs of treating the defendant's drug dependency to the aftercare contractor during the period of community supervision, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3672. The defendant shall provide payment and proof of payment as directed by the Probation Officer;
9. The defendant shall comply with the immigration rules and regulations of the United States, and if deported or removed from this country, either voluntarily or involuntarily, not reenter the United States

illegally. The defendant is not required to report to the Probation Office while residing outside of the United States; however, within 72 hours of release from any custody or any reentry to the United States during the period of Court-ordered supervision, the defendant shall report for instructions to the United States Probation Office, located at the United States Court House, 411 West Fourth Street, Suite 4170, Santa Ana, California 92701-4516;

10. The defendant shall not be employed by, affiliated with, own or control, or otherwise participate, directly or indirectly, in the conduct of the affairs of any financial institution insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;
11. The defendant shall not obtain or possess any driver's license, Social Security number, birth certificate, passport or any other form of identification in any name, other than the defendant's true legal name; nor shall the defendant use, for any purpose or in any manner, any name other than his true legal name or names without the prior written approval of the Probation Officer;
12. The defendant shall apply all monies received from income tax refunds, lottery winnings, inheritance, judgements and any anticipated or unexpected financial gains to the outstanding court-ordered financial obligation;
13. The defendant may not associate with anyone known to him to be a Armenian Power gang member and others known to him to be participants in the Armenian Power gang's criminal activities, with the exception of his family members. He may not wear, display, use or possess any gang insignias, emblems, badges, buttons, caps, hats, jackets, shoes, or any other clothing that defendant knows is evidence of affiliation with the Armenian Power gang, and may not display any signs or gestures that defendant knows evidence affiliation with the Armenian Power gang.
14. As directed by the Probation Officer, the defendant shall not be present in any area known to him to be a location where members of the Armenian Power gang meet and/or assemble;
15. The defendant shall submit person and property to search or seizure at any time of the day or night by any law enforcement officer with or without a warrant and with or without reasonable or probable cause;
16. The defendant shall report to the United States Probation Office within 72 hours of his release from custody;
17. The defendant shall report in person directly to the Court within 21 days of his release from custody, at a date and time to be set by the United States Probation Office, and thereafter report in person to the Court no more than eight times during his first year of supervised release; and
18. The defendant shall not possess, have under his control, or have access to any firearm, explosive device, or other dangerous weapon, as defined by federal, state, or local law.

The Court authorizes the Probation Office to disclose the Presentence Report to the substance abuse treatment provider to facilitate the defendant's treatment for narcotic addiction or drug dependency. Further redisclosure of the Presentence Report by the treatment provider is prohibited without the consent of the sentencing judge;

In addition to the special conditions of supervision imposed above, it is hereby ordered that the Standard Conditions of Probation and Supervised Release within this judgment be imposed. The Court may change the conditions of supervision, reduce or extend the period of supervision, and at any time during the supervision period or within the maximum period permitted by law, may issue a warrant and revoke supervision for a violation occurring during the supervision period.

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November 28, 2012

Date



David O. Carter, United States District Judge

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It is ordered that the Clerk deliver a copy of this Judgment and Probation/Commitment Order to the U.S. Marshal or other qualified officer.

Clerk, U.S. District Court

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November 28, 2012

Filed Date

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By *Julie Barrera*

Deputy Clerk

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The defendant shall comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court (set forth below).

#### **STANDARD CONDITIONS OF PROBATION AND SUPERVISED RELEASE**

While the defendant is on probation or supervised release pursuant to this judgment:

1. The defendant shall not commit another Federal, state or local crime;
2. the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the written permission of the court or probation officer;
3. the defendant shall report to the probation officer as directed by the court or probation officer and shall submit a truthful and complete written report within the first five days of each month;
4. the defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer;
5. the defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities;
6. the defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reasons;
7. the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least 10 days prior to any change in residence or employment;
8. the defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any narcotic or other controlled substance, or any paraphernalia related to such substances, except as prescribed by a physician;
9. the defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed or administered;
10. the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity, and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer;
11. the defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view by the probation officer;
12. the defendant shall notify the probation officer within 72 hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer;
13. the defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court;
14. as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics, and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to conform the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement;
15. the defendant shall, upon release from any period of custody, report to the probation officer within 72 hours;
16. and, for felony cases only: not possess a firearm, destructive device, or any other dangerous weapon.

The defendant will also comply with the following special conditions pursuant to General Order 01-05 (set forth below).

#### **STATUTORY PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF FINANCIAL SANCTIONS**

The defendant shall pay interest on a fine or restitution of more than \$2,500, unless the court waives interest or unless the fine or restitution is paid in full before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day after the date of the judgment pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3612(f)(1). Payments may be subject to penalties for default and delinquency pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3612(g). Interest and penalties pertaining to restitution, however, are not applicable for offenses completed prior to April 24, 1996.

If all or any portion of a fine or restitution ordered remains unpaid after the termination of supervision, the defendant shall pay the balance as directed by the United States Attorney's Office. 18 U.S.C. §3613.

The defendant shall notify the United States Attorney within thirty (30) days of any change in the defendant's mailing address or residence until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments are paid in full. 18 U.S.C. §3612(b)(1)(F).

The defendant shall notify the Court through the Probation Office, and notify the United States Attorney of any material change in the defendant's economic circumstances that might affect the defendant's ability to pay a fine or restitution, as required by 18 U.S.C. §3664(k). The Court may also accept such notification from the government or the victim, and may, on its own motion or that of a party or the victim, adjust the manner of payment of a fine or restitution-pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3664(k). See also 18 U.S.C. §3572(d)(3) and for probation 18 U.S.C. §3563(a)(7).

Payments shall be applied in the following order:

1. Special assessments pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3013;
2. Restitution, in this sequence:  
    Private victims (individual and corporate),  
    Providers of compensation to private victims,  
    The United States as victim;
3. Fine;
4. Community restitution, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3663(c); and
5. Other penalties and costs.

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR PROBATION AND SUPERVISED RELEASE**

As directed by the Probation Officer, the defendant shall provide to the Probation Officer: (1) a signed release authorizing credit report inquiries; (2) federal and state income tax returns or a signed release authorizing their disclosure; and (3) an accurate financial statement, with supporting documentation as to all assets, income and expenses of the defendant. In addition, the defendant shall not apply for any loan or open any line of credit without prior approval of the Probation Officer.

The defendant shall maintain one personal checking account. All of defendant's income, "monetary gains," or other pecuniary proceeds shall be deposited into this account, which shall be used for payment of all personal expenses. Records of all other bank accounts, including any business accounts, shall be disclosed to the Probation Officer upon request.

The defendant shall not transfer, sell, give away, or otherwise convey any asset with a fair market value in excess of \$500 without approval of the Probation Officer until all financial obligations imposed by the Court have been satisfied in full.

These conditions are in addition to any other conditions imposed by this judgment.

**RETURN**

I have executed the within Judgment and Commitment as follows:

Defendant delivered on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant noted on appeal on \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant released on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Mandate issued on \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant's appeal determined on \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant delivered on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_

the institution designated by the Bureau of Prisons, with a certified copy of the within Judgment and Commitment.

United States Marshal

By \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Marshal \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby attest and certify this date that the foregoing document is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file in my office, and in my legal custody.

Clerk, U.S. District Court

By \_\_\_\_\_

Filed Date \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR U.S. PROBATION OFFICE USE ONLY**

Upon a finding of violation of probation or supervised release, I understand that the court may (1) revoke supervision, (2) extend the term of supervision, and/or (3) modify the conditions of supervision.

These conditions have been read to me. I fully understand the conditions and have been provided a copy of them.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

U. S. Probation Officer/Designated Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date